

12-806

PATENT  
5681-12100/P7514

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/087,224	§	Examiner: Lin, Kelvin Y
Filed: March 1, 2002	§	Group/Art Unit: 2142
Inventors:	§	Atty. Dkt. No: 5681-12100
Ajay Kumar	§	
Hanumanthu Rao Susarla	§	
Prakash Khemani	§	
Title: System and Method for	§	
State Data Back-up in a	§	
Distributed Data System	§	

**REQUEST FOR REFUND OF EXTENSION OF TIME FEE**

Commissioner for Patents  
Mail Stop 16  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please let this serve as a formal request for a refund of the extension of time fees in the amount of \$120.00 associated with the Appeal Brief mailed on September 14, 2006. Applicants received a Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review, which was mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on August 14, 2006. The Decision set the deadline for filing the Appeal Brief to September 14, 2006. Applicants note that the Appeal Brief was deposited with the U.S. Post Office on September 14, 2006, as indicated by the certificate of mailing, **therefore no extension of time was required.**

Applicants respectfully request a refund in the amount of \$120.00 to deposit account no. 501505/5681-12100/RCK. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned agent.

Respectfully submitted,

/Robert C. Kowert/  
Robert C. Kowert, Reg. #39,255  
Attorney for Applicant(s)

Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C.  
P.O. Box 398  
Austin, TX 78767-0398  
(512) 853-8850  
Date: December 8, 2006

Document code: WFEE

United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Sales Receipt for Accounting Date: 09/26/2006

PMERRILL SALE #00000001 Mailroom Dt: 09/18/2006 501505 10087224  
01 FC:1251 120.00 DA

Adjustment date: 12/12/2006 SDENR001  
09/26/2006 PMERRILL 00000001 501505 10087224  
01 FC:1251 120.00 CR